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In re Application of:)	
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YUJI UENO ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3724
Application No.: 10/667,325)	
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Filed: September 23, 2003)	
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For: SHEET CUTTING APPARATUS AND)	July 26, 2006
SHEET PROCESSING APPARATUS AND	:	
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS HAVING)	
THE SHEET CUTTING APPARATUS	:	

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 26, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 1-6.

In accordance with Applicants election of Group I, Applicants further elect Species IA, which corresponds to Figures 11A-B. Claims 1 and 3-6 read on the elected species.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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